



Operation: Share and Care

TO: SCHOOL STAFF

Operation: Military Kids and IN National Guard Family Programs want to increase awareness among youth serving professionals and youth from military families with **Operation: Share and Care**. We are doing this by identifying youth who have a deployed caregiver or other loved one in the IN National Guard or Army Reserve.

When a loved one deploys, children have many different reactions to the absence. Research continues to show that it is important for schools to be aware that a loved one is deployed or on active duty. Schools have reported that they are unaware that a child has caregivers in the military or about this change in family life. This is vital for providing support to our youth from preschool through high school.

For more information or for resources to provide support for faculty and staff, contact:

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Please return to your child's teacher

My child will have a service member deployed on _____ who will be gone for approximately _____ days.

My child, _____, is in your class.

Please contact _____ at _____ or _____ (cell #) if you notice a change in behavior or school performance while I am gone.

Signature

Relationship

